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FRESH FISH HERE TO SPLIT

Three Fares Down from Boston—Two Gill Netters Had Market Trips.

Two fresh fares down from Boston constituted the fresh fish arrivals here this morning. They were schs. Mary DeCosta with 40,000 pounds and Sadie M. Nunan, 30,000 pounds.

The torchers brought in 75 barrels of mixed herring this morning, which sold at the Port for bait.

Two of the gill netters, steamers Scout and the Carrie and Mildred, landed small fares yesterday afternoon.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Mary DeCosta, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 75 lbs. fresh pollock.
Str. Thelma, seining, 15 bbls. mixed fish mackerel.
Str. Scout, gill netting, 1250 lbs. fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Avalon, halibuting.
Sch. Georgianna, halibuting.
Sch. Priscilla Smith, haddocking.
Sch. Thomas S. Gorton, haddocking.
Sch. Stranger, haddocking.
Sch. Arethusa, haddocking.
Sch. Ingomar, haddocking.
Sch. John R. Bradley, Newfoundland.
Steamer Thelma, seining.
Steamer Bethulia, beam trawling.
Sch. Maud F. Silva, south, snapper fishing.
Sch. Nettie Franklin, south, snapper fishing.
Sch. Diana, Boston.

TWO MACKEREL FARES IN TODAY

Two mackerel fares arrived yesterday afternoon and during the night from Middle Bank, one here and the other at Boston.

Yesterday, steamer Thelma, Capt. Elroy Prior, arrived here with 15 barrels of mixed fresh mackerel which sold to A. Cooney & Company at six cents a pound.

At Boston this morning, is sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Reuben Emerson, with 5000 mixed fish, which sold at eight cents a pound.

Salt Mackerel Sale.

The salt mackerel fare of sch. Pieta, Capt. Douglass McLean, sold to the Union-Pew Fisheries Company at \$10.25 a barrel for tinkers and \$18 for mediums.

VESSELS COMING HERE TO GET ICE

Big Fleet Held at T Wharf Waiting Vainly for Necessary Article—Supply There Is Short 'Tis Said.

T wharf, Boston, fishermen are confronted with an ice shortage, a condition that has not existed there for many years, so the wharf dealers state, as a result of which a large number of market crafts are tied up there, waiting until a supply of ice comes through from the country. It is estimated that nearly 200 tons are needed right away for the fishermen.

While Boston is facing an ice famine, the boats and vessel which have had the foresight to come here and fit are meeting with no difficulty in procuring a supply. Notwithstanding the shortage in last winter's crop, whereby the local dealers have been obliged to curtail the consumption to the wholesale trade, the Cape Pond Ice Company which controls the greater part of the local output is refusing no one. As fast as the boats and vessels come along, they are being supplied without limitation.

The Union Ice Company of Boston which supplies most of the fishermen sailing out of Boston, contend that they are unable to get enough ice through from Maine and New Hampshire to supply the demand. Ice is very scarce they say and they are using what limited stock they have on hand to take care of the retail trade. The docks at T wharf are crowded with vessels as a result and unless some immediate relief comes to hand, there is likely to be a scarcity in the supply of groundfish in the market next week, it is claimed.

Notwithstanding Boston's plight, the local dealers are not taking any advantage as far as boosting the price is concerned. The Cape Pond Ice Company announces that it is supplying vessels and the wholesale trade still at \$3 a ton. There is no famine yet in sight as far as the local supply is concerned.

Quite a number of crafts have come down from Boston the past two days to take in ice as a result. Those here this morning are schs. Belbina P. Domingoes, Mildred Robinson, Russell, Moanam and Alice M. Guthrie, while others are coming.

T WHARF HAS A FLEET OF 10

All Are Market Boats With New Fish and the Prices Are Good.

On account of the large number of fleet in port, arrivals at Boston since yesterday have been few, only 10 of the market fleet outside of the seiners being in.

The total amount landed was about 120,000 pounds haddock, cod and hake. Wholesalers quoted \$2.50 to \$3 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$5 to \$6 for large cod, \$2.50 to \$2.75 for market cod, \$2.50 to \$3 for pollock, and six cents a pound for fresh mackerel.

Boston Arrivals.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. James W. Parker, 16,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Stranger, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod, 7000 hake.
Sch. Yankee, 4000 haddock, 500 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 3000 haddock, 400 cod, 6000 hake.
Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 500 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Rose Standish, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Mettacommet, 500 halibut, 6500 pollock.
Sch. John J. Fallon, 15,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 18,000 hake.
Sch. Appomattox, 9000 pollock.
Sch. Adeline, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.
Str. Joanna, 6000 fresh mixed mackerel.
Str. Nashawena, 3000 fresh mixed mackerel.
Str. Robert and Edwin, 2000 fresh mixed mackerel.
Sch. Little Fannie, 7000 fresh mixed mackerel.
Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$6; market cod, \$2.50 to \$2.75; hake, \$1.25 to \$2; pollock, \$2.50 to \$3; cusk, \$2; fresh mackerel, 6c per lb.

SMALL CRAFTS HAVE MACKEREL

Three small mackerel fares arrived at the Fort yesterday afternoon and four at Boston for this morning's market, the boats taking them on Middle Bank yesterday.

The crafts in are steamers R. J. Killick, Jeffery and Bryd F., here and Joanna, Nashawena, Robert and Edwin and sch. Little Fannie at Boston. The fish while mixed with tinkers and mediums, ran for the most part tinkers.

Boston dealers paid six cents a pound for them this morning.

Salt Mackerel Sale.

The 31 barrels of salt mackerel of the str. Thelma sold to Fred Bradley at \$10.25 a barrel for tinkers and \$18 for mediums.

N. S. HERRING FOR CHICAGO

Thirty carloads of fresh dressed meat aggregating something like 1,500,000 pounds reached Chicago Tuesday consignment to Swift & Company, as the first importation of fresh meat under the new tariff law admitting meat free into the United States. The shipment was from Canada and the prices ranged from 6 3-4 to 8 cents a pound. This is less than the Chicago packers usually pay for beef on the hoof shipped in from the farms and ranges, and they do not have to go to the expense of killing and dressing. Each car contains forty thousand or fifty thousand pounds. The meats range in class from material for sausages, canning the best grades. Thirty six carloads of fish, also imported, were received at the customs department at Chicago Friday consigned to various fish markets in Chicago. Most of it was herring. The tariff of fish was one half cent a pound under the old law, but it is now admitted free.

PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Arrivals.

Tug Gettysburg, towing barge Glendower, Philadelphia, coal for Griffin & Co.
Tug Wyoming, Boston.
Tug H. A. Mathis, via Boston.

Good Stocks.

The steamer Thelma, Captain Elroy Prior, stocked \$1932.58 as a result of her last seining trip. The crew shared \$65.92 clear.

GONE FOR ANOTHER FREE FISH CARGO

Capt. Williams Tells at Halifax How He Landed First One.

In telling of how he brought to this port the first cargo of salt cod to come in free of duty, and of how he thus saved the owners the goodly sum of \$3000, Capt. Williams of the Nova Scotia schooner Palatia, here recently, and now at Halifax, has the following story in the Halifax Herald:

"Yes, sir. I carried the first cargo of Canadian fish to enter the United States duty free and now I'm on my way for another. Would be about loading now if a gale hadn't stepped in and smashed my main-boom and ript away the fores'l."

This was the answer to a query put to Captain L. Williams by a Herald reporter Monday evening. Seated on an ingenious easy chair in the cabin of the schooner Palatia, the skipper told how he saved a Halifax firm a cool three thousand dollars by getting into Gloucester just after the enactment of the Underwood tariff bill, which meant the abolishment of the import taxes on all fish coming into the county.

"You see," said Skipper Williams, "we knew 'free fish' was on the way and the cargo was bought ahead on that idea. We loaded it at Shippegan, on the Gaspé coast—2500 quintals in all, gathered up along the shore and brought in by other boats."

"On October 5th we made Cape Ann, outside Gloucester harbor. There we learned that two days previous, President Wilson had signed the new tariff law and that we then had no business with the customs officials. So the Palatia sailed into Gloucester as the first vessel to take advantage of the removal of the duty."

"Of course, as I said, it was all expected. It was all fixed that if on our arrival at Cape Ann the new tariff had not gone into force, we would cruise up the Maine coast and lay in some harbor to await developments. The cargo was shipped by the North Atlantic Fisheries, Limited, and was bought up by Cunningham & Thompson, of Gloucester. I believe the Palatia will continue in this trade until next year."

Palatia Quality Cod Pleased the Skipper.

"But to me the nice part of it all," the captain continued, "was that the fish—a fine lot, too—was labelled Palatia brand, as a complement to the

vessel. Others felt well over it, such as the owners getting a high price, being first on the ground, and the buyers getting a good bargain at that, for fish is scarce down there now."

Coming back from Gloucester with salt in her hold, the Palatia struck nasty weather and as the crew were reefing in the canvas snap went the main-boom and the same squall scat-

tered the fore-sail into shreds. It was then decided to put into Halifax on small sail for repairs, the passage here being made in four days. When shipshape again the Palatia hits out for Eastern Harbor on the Cape Breton west coast, where another freight is to be taken aboard for Gloucester.

Until last April she was a Lunenburg banker, owned by William Smith, but was purchased by Captain Williams, who hails from Musquodoboit. Hereafter, says the master, she will go casting.

ARRIVALS FEW HERE TODAY

But for the arrival of three mackerel seiners yesterday afternoon, fish receipts at this port since yesterday morning would have been extremely light.

As it was, only two groundfish fares were in, sch. Flora L. Oliver from Boston bringing down 12,000 pounds fresh fish and steamer Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 2100 pounds, mostly pollock.

The gasoline torchers took 80 barrels of herring last evening, which sold for bait.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Jeffery, seining, 6 bbls. mixed fresh mackerel.

Str. Bryda F., seining, 14 bbls. mixed fresh mackerel.

Str. R. J. Kellick, seining, 10 bbls. mixed fresh mackerel.

Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 2100 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Flora L. Oliver, via Boston, 12,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Torchers, 80 bbls. fresh herring.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.25 per cwt.; medium, \$4.75; snappers, \$3.50.

Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.

Dory handline cod, \$5 for large; \$4.50 for medium.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$5.00; medium, \$4.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5.00; medium, \$4.50.

Flitched halibut, 10c per lb.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.75.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Salt mackerel \$18 per bbl. for medium; \$10.25 for tinkers.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1.00 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$2.00; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.35; medium, \$2.10; snappers, 75c.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.40.

Cusk, large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.70; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 70c.

Fresh herring, \$2.50 and \$3 per bbl. for bait.

Fresh bluebacks, \$3 per bbl., for bait; \$1.75 to freezer.

Bank halibut, 12c per lb. for white.

Fresh small mackerel, 6c per lb.

Portland Fishing News.

Hundreds of dollars' worth of traps have been destroyed during the storms of the past three weeks, according to the reports which have just been received from the lobster fishermen along the Maine coast and verified to some extent by the fact that many of the island beaches are strewn with broken bits of the traps and tangled gear.

It will be some time before the extent of the damage along this line is known, but from what has been learned, only a very few of the fishermen escaped without some damage and in some cases lobster fishermen lost all of their gear. One Peaks Island fisherman is said to have lost 200 traps and when it is considered that each one of these traps is worth a dollar, it can be seen that the loss is indeed serious.

The fish wharves had a lonesome appearance Tuesday, the entire fleet being outside, and it is believed some good catches will be reported today. The only fare of any size coming in was that landed by the schooner Marion Turner, she hailing for 25,000 pounds of market fish. Halibut are very scarce, but Capt. Harty of the New England Fish Co. says some half dozen Gloucester schooners are coming that way from the Banks, and he believes a number of them will land their fares there as soon as the fog lifts.

Busy at Hawkesbury.

Large quantities of haddock and codfish are being received daily at the extensive plant of the North Atlantic Fisheries. They are being smoked, converted into Pinnan Haddies and cod filets, packed in boxes, shipped by car loads to all parts of Canada. The surplus is placed in cold storage to fill orders for later shipments.

The local fishermen from Port Hood to Cheticamp have had fairly good mackerel fishing during the past fortnight. They are disposing of their fish readily at remunerative prices. Representatives of the North Atlantic Fisheries are stationed at Port Hood, Inverness and Margaree purchasing direct from the fishermen and paying them spot cash.—Hawkesbury Journal.

STEAM TRAWLER HAVE BEST TRIP

Rest of Crafts at T Wharf Today Have But Small Fares.

Arrivals at T wharf, Boston, this morning were light, three off shore and five shore crafts arriving.

Steamers Surf and Swell hauled 63,000 and 40,000 pounds respectively the largest fares in. The shore fish have catches of ordinary size.

Yesterday afternoon, three far put in an appearance, sch. Eva and Mildred having 46,000 pounds and Emily Sears and Mary Edith small shore fares.

Wholesalers quoted \$3 to \$3.50 hundred pounds for haddock, \$5.50 for large cod, \$2.50 for market cod, \$1.30 to \$2.50 for hake and \$2 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Eva and Mildred, 25,000 haddock, 1600 cod, 5000 hake, 18,000 cusk.

Sch. Emily Sears, 20,000 pollock.

Sch. Mary Edith, 300 haddock, 500 cod, 15,000 hake.

Str. Surf, 57,000 haddock, 6000 cod.

Str. Swell, 36,000 haddock, 1800 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Valene, 12,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 7000 haddock, 1600 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Flavilla, 5000 haddock, 1500 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 5000 haddock, 800 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Advance, 7000 pollock.

Sch. Pythian, 3500 pollock.

Haddock, \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$5.50; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.30 to \$2.50; pollock, \$2.

Portland Fishing News.

Wednesday, the tug Piscataqua brought in the fishing schooner Elthier, both W. Nunan which she had picked up in the vicinity of Witch rock crippled with engine trouble. As the tug was passing the fisherman the latter signalled with her fog horn. The tug went alongside and was asked to tow the schooner into Portland harbor, as her engine had broken down. The request was complied with and the Nunan was taken to the marine railway where she will haul out to have her bottom painted, while her engine is being repaired.

Some 20 barrels of large herring which the steamer Elthier was bringing to Portland from Sheepscot river Tuesday night were washed overboard when the steamer struck rough water about half way between Seguin and Portland Head. While this accident was quite a loss to the crew of the little craft she stocked for a snapper, as she landed 104 barrels to the Portland Cold Storage Co.